

**To:** Albright, David[Albright.David@epa.gov]  
**From:** McWhirter, Lisa  
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**Subject:** RE: State's grant letter

Hi David,

Are there any conversations or other agreements I should reference in this letter stating that this was discussed and now being confirmed. Do you have any dates to this effect? Was this mentioned in any of Jane's letters to DOGGR? I should have a draft to you by Monday morning.

Thanks,

Lisa

**From:** Albright, David  
**Sent:** Friday, August 14, 2015 10:52 AM  
**To:** McWhirter, Lisa  
**Subject:** State's grant letter

Hi Lisa,

Would it be possible for you to draft a letter from Steve Bohlen to Mike, confirming DOGGR's understanding that EPA will be holding back their FY15 UIC grant to fund technical support for the AE packages that the state will be submitting and to ensure timely responses on a large number of packages? I'm attaching a somewhat similar letter that DOGGR sent back in 2010, which may serve as a template. In this case, I think they have submitted a grant app (George could tell you the details – how much they applied for and whether it was a 1 year or 2 year app), so Steve's letter will be referencing their app and acknowledging that in lieu of awarding the funds applied for, EPA will be withholding them for the stated purpose. His letter will further note that they support EPA taking this action as a way of ensuring that the anticipated heavy aquifer exemption review/approval workload can be efficiently handled by EPA. I think we could also include potential support to the state through the use of the contract funds, for unspecified work (even though they have so far declined to identify anything...). I raised this to Steve and told him we would get them a draft of the letter prior to Wed. and that we could discuss any questions when we are there.

Thanks!

David

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